

**Community Military Appreciation Committee (CMAC)  
Meeting Minutes of July 9, 2021  
40 et 8 Boxcar and VIA Zoom**

Executive Board Members Present: Co-Chairman – Larry Smith, Co-Chairman – Mike Burton; Operations-Marlene Varga, Mike Morgan (Excused), Secretary – Stephanie Collazo-Serrano Treasurer – Bruce Evans, Board Directors Present: Chaplain - James Mead (Excused) Supply/Website - Bill Hauser, Safety (Excused) - Roy Billings (Excused), Outreach -Dan Sockle, Members at Large Present: Frazier Raymond (Excused), Sean Gibson, Alex Patterson (Excused); Denise Bender (Excused), Elizabeth Johnston (Excused), Samantha Whitley, Teresa Wheeler, Minh Pham (Excused), Ron Powers, Jay Williams, Michelle Marra (Excused) [11]

CMAC Members Present: Ralph Walker (CMAC), Tom Barton (Radio Club), June Lasch (American Red Cross), Rey Reynolds (City of Vancouver), Patrick Locke (40et8), Les Lomax (40et8), Chelsea White (Red Cross), Andrew Young (Mackay Sposito), Richard McHugh (CVI), Amanda McCallum (1<sup>st</sup> Choice), Geri Stuart (Blue Star Mothers), Dick Halvorson (CDM Caregiving), Barbara Brannon (CMAC), [13]

Meeting called to order by Larry Smith

1. Pledge of Allegiance: Mike Burton
2. Prayer/Inspiration: Larry Smith

CMAC Scheduled Events:

- Patriots Day Ceremony-Saturday, September 11, 2021, Vancouver Waterfront-9am-in partnership with the City of Vancouver.
- Veterans Day Open House-November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021- directly following the Historic Trust Veterans Day Parade– Time TBD-Hudson Bay High School

CMAC 2021 40 et 8 and Zoom

July 23 <sup>rd</sup>	40 et 8 and Zoom	8:30 AM
Aug 6 <sup>th</sup>	VIA Zoom ONLY	8:30AM (Boxcar is being used that day)
Aug 20 <sup>th</sup>	40 et 8 and Zoom	8:30 AM

CMAC Summary

- Marlene Varga went over the Patriots Day Agenda. This year's event in partnership with the City of Vancouver and is the 1<sup>st</sup> major event being held at the Vancouver Waterfront. Marlene shared they are meeting with the planners of this event on Monday and will have an update at our next meeting on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please email Marlene if you are able to help with this year's event at [marlenemvarga@gmail.com](mailto:marlenemvarga@gmail.com).
- Heroes Night has been cancelled this year. This is an update from our July 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. We will keep you up to date as to when the next one is being scheduled.
- Directly following our next CMAC meeting on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, we will be serving cake to help celebrate our member Carl Lingenfelter's 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday. All are welcome to stay after the meeting and help us celebrate.

## Events/Announcements

- Sound the Alarm: Save a Life. The American Red Cross is offering virtual home fire safety education sessions to the community. From the comfort of your home, you and a trained Red Cross volunteer, will discuss your home fire escape plan, practicing your 2-minute drill, testing smoke alarms, and other key home fire safety tips. To request an appointment, please visit [redcross.org/cascades](http://redcross.org/cascades). Email: [preparedness@redcross.org](mailto:preparedness@redcross.org) or call (503) 528-5783.
- REACH Too is hosting a Veterans Support Circle the last Thursday of each month starting at 5pm starting July 29<sup>th</sup> at the REACH Center, 1601 E. Fourth Plain Blvd, Building 17 (in the basement)
- Virtual workshops for living with chronic pain. There is more information about the upcoming workshops on our website. To register for their virtual events taking place from February through November, please call 564-397-5700 or email [zena\\_edwards@wsu.edu](mailto:zena_edwards@wsu.edu).
- Dave Casteel shared in a prior meeting about the Burn Pit Registry and if you know of anyone exposed to Burn Pits, please have them register using this link <https://veteran.mobilehealth.va.gov/AHBurnPitRegistry/#page/home>.
- Senior Heroes Awards are being held on July 14<sup>th</sup>. Information about the event will be shared in our next meeting minutes.
- Hoops for H.O.P.E is a 3-3 Basketball Event benefiting veterans and their families being held August 20-22, 2021 at the Vancouver Mall Parking Lot. This event is put on by H.O.P.E and there is opportunity for youth, adult, wheelchair, and elite teams to play. To register to participate or learn more about volunteering, sponsoring, or attending the event, please visit their website at [www.hopeforthegood.org](http://www.hopeforthegood.org) or phone at 360-644-7199.

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If you would like to add your event to our Calendar of events, please email:  
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